



SUPPLEMENTAL RE-ISSUE APPLICATION DECLARATION

a below named inventor, I hereby declare:

THAT my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

THAT I believe I am the original, first and sole (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural inventors are listed below) of the subject matter which is described and claimed in Patent No. 6,049,875, granted April 11, 2000, and for which a re-issue patent is sought on the invention entitled: **SECURITY APPARATUS AND METHOD** the specification of which:

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[] is attached hereto.

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OR

[X] was filed on (06/13/01) as United States Application Number 09/881,249.

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THAT the subject matter of the

[X] attached amendment

OR

[] amendment filed on (MM/DD/YY)

was part of my or our invention and was invented before the filing date of the original application, above identified for such invention.

THAT I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

THAT I acknowledge the duty to disclose information of which I am aware which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations §1.56.

THAT I verily believe the original patent to be wholly or partly inoperative or invalid, for the reasons described below:

- by reason of defective specification or drawing.
- by reason of the patentees claiming more or less than they had a right to claim in the patent.
- by reason of other errors.

At least one error upon which reissue is based is described below. This is a broadening reissue, adding new claims to define the scope of protection to which the invention is entitled based upon the original disclosure in the specification. Based upon review of the patent as issued it is believed that the patentees claimed less than they had a right to claim and the new claims added by this reissue application seeks to cure that defect. For instance, the patentees failed to seek, but had the right to seek claims which, if issued, would protect a broader method claim 15. The issued method claim 15 includes the following two steps: (1) deciding that the user is not under a situation to use the service in case the user is not recognized in the input image; and (2) deciding that a security of the service use area is infringed in case at least one person other than the authorized user is recognized in the input image. The above two steps, claimed less than the patentees had a right to claim. To cure such defect, the patentees with this re-issue application add new method claim 38 without the limitations of the above two steps to broaden the scope of the method claim 38. Other new claims 17 through 39 are added by the re-issue application to broaden the scope of protection.

THAT all errors corrected in this reissue application arose without any deceptive intent on the part of the applicant.

THAT no application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate on this invention or discovery has been filed by me or my legal representatives or assigns in a country foreign to the United States of America more than 12 months prior hereto, unless identified here: 6,049,875 (Date of Patent 4/11/2000)

THAT I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code §119 (a)-(d) or §365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or §365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or of any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

| Prior Foreign Application Number(s) | Country | Foreign Filing Date (MM/DD/YY) | Priority Claimed? YES NO | Certified Copy Attached? YES NO |
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| P08-051973 | Japan | March 8, 1996 | X | X |
| P08-243879 | Japan | Sept. 13, 1996 | X | X |
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THAT I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

| Application Number(s) | Filing Date (MM/DD/YY) |
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| NONE | |
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THAT I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code §120 of any United States application(s), or §365(c) of any PCT international application designating the United States of America, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations §1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

| U.S. Parent Application Number | PCT Parent Number | Parent Filing Date (MM/DD/YY) | Parent Patent Number (If applicable) |
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| NONE | | | |
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I hereby declare further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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